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'ALIANS DEVELOP A STRONG OFFENSE

In the Direction of Istria, a Place of Supreme Strategical Importance to Them

TOWNS IN DIRECTION OF

Austrian Warships and Aeroplanes Raid Several of the Italian Coast Towns-Germans, in a Powerful Drive Against Russians in Galicia, Report the Capture of 21,000 Muscovites-British Unable to Hold All Their Lines Against the German Assault-French Report Capture of the Great German Trenches in the Neighborhood of Souchez-Over 3,000 Turks Killed and 919 Australians Killed and Wounded in Dardanelles Operations, May 18 to 20-French and British Make Progress On the Gallipoli Peninsula.

ITALY SENDS NOTE TO

Explaining Her Reasons for Declar

ing War on Austria,

dressed to the neutral governments of the world a lengthy communication explaining her reasons for declaring war on Austria. Count Di Cellere, the

Italian ambassador, presented the doc-ument to Secretary Bryan today in the form of a note to the United States

It reviews negotiations between Italy and Austria, revealing that they

began immediately upon the despatch of Austria's ultimatum to Serbia, Italy claimed then that the action of Aus-

tria disturbed the equilibrium of the Balkans and the peace of Europe in a way that vitally affected Italian inter-

ed before the sending of the ultima-

tum, the first news of which was re-ceived through the newspapers. Fail-

ing to obtain through diplomacy the

satisfaction of her territorial and na-tional aspirations, Italy announces in the note that a declaration of war was

the only means of safeguarding her position in Europe. The document takes its place in

state department archives along with the other notes and messages received

at the outbreak of war from the for-

these has been published, although the European governments have covered

substantially the same ground in the various pamphlets detailing the diplo-matic negotiations prior to the declar-

So Far the Relations Between the

Countries Remain Normal.

key is a matter which the members of the diplomatic corps are not willing

The Turkish press has treated the

affair conservatively, while in govern-mental circles the situation is viewed

eet future exigencles to the best of

A Representative in France Has Noti-

fined the Owner,

DARCIA AND HER CARGO

OF PORTUGAL RESIGNS

Has Lost Sight of One Eye.

calmly, but with a determination

FRANCE OFFERS TO BUY

WOUNDED PREMIER

ITALY'S WAR DECLARATION

and their reasons for action.

TURKEY ANTICIPATED

ations of war.

Turkey's ability.

The Austro-Italian campaign has, ed unless Serbia received a free outlet developed little thus far beyond the on the Adriatic.
"I declare," added the foreign min pushing forward of the Italian advance guards, who have crossed the frontier and occupied several small towns in the direction of Trieste and a raid by Austrian warships and aeroplanes on several of the Italian coast There are indications that the Italians are developing a strong offensive movement, particularly in the direction of Istria, the possession of which would be a supreme strate-

gical importance to them.

The campaign sin the old theathes of war, the east and the west, are ocor war, the east and the west, are oc-cupying the attention of vast bodies of troops along these fronts. North of Przemysl, in Galicia, the Austro-Ger-mans, under General Von Mackenzen, are engaged in a powerful drive against the Russian lines and have, against the Russian lines and nave, according to official statements com-ing from both Vienna and Berlin, tak-en an additional 21,000 prisoners, 39 cannon and forty machine guns. In the west, the British have not been able to hold all of their lines

against the German assault, but the French report important progress to the north of Arras, the capture of one of the great German trenches in the neighborhood of Souchez and two important German works to the northwest of Angres, which permitted ther to advance over territory from which they had previously been barred.

The nature of the fighting that is going on in the Dardanelles can be

inferred from an official statement is sued at London, which, telling of an agreement far a suspension of hostili-ties for the burial of the dead, says: casualty list just published, giving the names of 919 Australians, killed and wounded in the Dardanelles operattions. The statement reports considerable progress by both French and British on the Gallipoli peninsular."

IMPORTANT PROGRESS MADE BY THE ALLIES

French-Official Statement,

Paris, May 25, 10.35 p. m.—The official communication issued by the war office tonight announces that im portant progress has been made by that one of the large German trench-es in the neighborhood of Souchez, for the possession of which fighting has been going on for more than two has been captured. The text

"To the north of Arras our attacks today have resulted in important progress. To the northwest of Angres (south of La Bassee) in front of Fosse Calonne, we carried the salient of a large enemy work, called Gor-nallies. In the same region our troops took by assault another German work which was very strongly

of the road from Aix-Noulette Souchaz, we have captured on a front of one kilometre (two-thirds of a mile) the whole of a great trench, where the enemy has been resisting for fifteen days.

"To the west of the same road w have made very appreciable progress in the region of the Fonde De Buval our success to which the artillery enemy posted at Angres and the particularly strong, had prevented un-

owner of the Dacia, received a cable despatch today from his representative "We have gained some ground to the west of Souchez near the Chateau Carlel.
"On the rest of the front there is nothing to report."

despatch today from his representative in France, saying the Franch government had offered to purchase not only the cargo of the Dacia but the ship as well, and in addition to pay the demurrage claim that has been filed based on her seizure and de-

ITALY'S ENTRY INTO WAR MAY HASTEN PEACE

Mr. Breitung has cabled the French authorities asking official confirm-ation of-the report of his representa-Russian Foreign Minister Opines it tive, Will Have an Enormous Influence

on Neutral Countries, 7.06 p. m.—'Italy's entry into the war will make the war much shorter in duration; it will have an enormous Has Lost Sight of One Eye.

move against Russia under any cir-cumstances. He declared that the Italo-Serbian relations were perfectly icable and that Russia's task with he says, will bring in a new ministry Pierson to go on his own recognizance cept by druggists and then only and to Serbia would not be fulfill—of representatives of the nation.

British Casualty List Heavy. again heavy. They include 91 officers again heavy. They include \$1 omcers and nearly 2,000 men of both services. Among the killed were Lieutenant Ar-thur Coj, son of the Eearl of Leicester, and Major John Mackenzie, who won the Victoria Cross in the Ashanti cam-paign in 1900.

Cabled Paragraphs

Fifty Drowned When Chilean Steamer Struck Reef.

Santiago Chile, May 25.—Fifty persons were drowned today when the Chilean steamer Maximiano Errazuris struck a reef and sank. The Maximiano Errazuris was a ves

sel of 1,186 tons and 24 feet long. She was built in 1872. SHIPMENTS OF OIL

TO HOLLAND SUSPENDED. Reason For Action, Which is Only Temporary, Not Divulged.

New York, May 25,-All shipments f cotton seed oil, lubricating oils and rease to Holland from American orts have been temporarily suspendd by order of The Neherlands Overeas Trust, it was announced here to-ay. A speedy adjustment of the der of suspension is anticipated and holpments, it is thought, will be re-umed within a few days.

suspension Announcement of the vas made by the Holland American ine which has handled the bulk of shipments from this port for Holland. The American cotton oil company admitted that shipments to Holand had been suspended but it was said on behalf of the company that the suspension was thought to be only

temporary.
Why The Netherlands Overseas
Trust, through which all shipments to
Holland have been made, should have
issued the order was not divulged. At the Holland-American line it was said that the reason for the suspension was not understood.

"We believe that it is largely a mat-ter of exchanging a few cablegrams," a representative of the line said, "and ister, "that Serbia will have free ports which shall be absolutely her own." Regarding reports of separate peace M. Sazonoff said that numerous efforts in the direction had been made and not only on the part of Austria and had failed, and he added "anything of that character was impossible." that we can straighten matters out in this way within a short time." Holland at present is one of Holland at present is one of the largest importers of cotton seed oil. The bulk of the foreign shipments of this commodity go to Rotterdam and to British and Italian ports. Considerable tonnage of cotton seed oil, it was said at the Holland-American line had been booked for furne ships. was said at the Holland-American line, had been booked for future ship-ment to Holland by its steamers. NEUTRAL GOVERNMENTS

PUTNAM MAN CHOSEN FOREMAN OF JURY

When United States Court Opened at Hartford Yesterday.

Hartford, Conn., May 25 .- Nine cases vere presented to the federal grand ury for indictment when the United States court opened here today. Two of these were not made public, Among the other seven were Clarence V. Bald-win of Bridgeport, accused of fraud in onnection with use of mails: John A. Delmore, accused of theft of mail pouch at New Haven; William D. Roberger, boy, accused of abstracting checks from rural mail in Westville. member of the grand jury, was tardy and was reprimanded by the judge. Ernest L. Davis of Putnam was chosen

foreman of the jury.

Criminal cases were assigned, among them Salomon Schwartz, charged with complicity in counterfeiting, to be heard June 1; George A. Smith and George H. Nordaby of New Haven, for impersonating a United States officer, trial Jure 3.

Cases of D. E. Loewe & company against the Union Savings bank and the Savings Bank of Danbury to re-cover attached deposits of Danbury hatters were not assigned.

POLICE AT A STANDSTILL IN BRIDGEPORT MYSTERY

Thought Body Was That of Mrs. Weidenheimer Until She Walked

Bridgeport, Conn., May 25,-After unning down what seemed to be sev eral hopeful clues, the police tonigh again are at a standstill toward un-

Constantinople, via London, May 25.
7.45 p. m.—Italy's declaration of war against Austria-Hungary caused no surprise at the Turkish capital because it was expected. The official world and the public show no excitement as so far the relations between Turkey so far the relations between Turkey theory was exploded when Mrs. Weidenheimer walked into police headenheimer walked into po enheimer walked into police head-quarters tonight to express her indignation that her name was mentioned in the case. A handbag, containing her name and some letters, was found near the scene two months ago, which led the police to believe that she might have been the victim.

have been the victim.

Workmen were busy all day digging the torse was found up the lot where the torso was found in the hope of finding other parts of the body or further evidence, but to

MAN KILLED WHEN

MOTOR TRUCK OVERTURNED William O'Hara Was on His Way from Bridgeport to Danbury.

Danbury, Conn., May 25.—William O'Hara, an attache of Reeves' marionette show, which came here from Bridgeport today to join a carnival company exhibiting here, was instantly killed between this city and Newtown this noon by the overturning of a motor truck on which the show paraphernelle was being transported. aphernalla was being transported. The heavy machine became unmanageable while descending a steep hill in the town of Bethel, about six miles east of this city, and at a turn in the road crashed into a stone wall and over-

Of six men on the truck at the time, O'Hara was the only one injured. His skull was fractured and his head duration; it will have an enormous influence on the attitude of neutral countries and it will lead to the rapproachment of states whose interests seem at present to be opposed." Lisbon, May 25, 10.05 a. m., via ed the premiership of Portugal today and the statistic proposed. The truck is owned by P. J. Murphy, a Bridgeport truckman. The accident is attributed to the failure of the brakes to hold the car. Little is known about O'Hara, who joined the show in Bridgeport recently. He was about 45 years old.

foreign minister, on being interviewed today by the correspondent of Reuter's Telegram company.

"In any case," the foreign minister continued, "no hostile power can henceforth be reinforced at the expense of any neutral country whatautomobile driven by Martin E. Pierson, a Hartford contractor, late today and received injuries which caused his In a letter made public today Senhor Chagas says it is useless him to retain his office as by the time he could recover the present government will not be in office. The June elections,

Second Conviction New Version of of Becker Upheld

BY COURT OF APPEALS OF NEW YORK STATE.

ONE JUDGE DISSENTS

Must Pay Death Penalty Unless Gov. Whitman or the U.S. Supreme Court Intervenes-May Make Revelations in Effort to Save His Own Life.

Albany, N. Y., May 25.—Charles Becker, the former New York police leutenant, must die in the electric air at Sing Sing prison within the ext six weeks for the murder of Herman Rosenthal, the New York gam-bler, by four gunmen on July 16, 1912, unless Governor Whitman or the United States supreme court inter-venes. The court of appeals of New York today affirmed the conviction of Becker by a jury in the supreme court at his second trial, held several months ago. The same court granted Becker a new hearing after his first trial on the ground that Presiding Justice Goff erred.

Commercial nterests.

In "group conferences" delegates from eighteen countries began extended to the commercial and financial interests of the United States of their peculiar needs and indicated in the United States of the United States of their peculiar needs and indicated in the United States of the United

Executive Clemency Remote. Executive elemency for Becker is retrial. Tonight he deckined to discuss the case in any way.

Becker May Make Revelations. Speculation is rife here as to whether Becker, facing death, will not seek to save his life by making revelations in connection with the so-called "police system" in New York to the governor. Regardless of his connection with the Rosenthal case, he is believed to be possessed of information that would be invaluable to the state and New York city officials. The statement has been frequently made that the trial of Becker and the four gunmen who shot Speculation is rife here as to wheth-

Date of Execution Not Set The date for Becker's execution may ot be set nor the death warrant signed until next week, owing to the absence of some of the judges from here. The aw prescribes that an execution must take place not less than four nor more than six weeks after a decision is handed down. Lieutenant Governor Schoenck will act as governor during the next twenty-three days, while the governor is in California. It is not believed that the Becker case will be brought before the acting governor. brought before the acting governor. The prevailing opinion of the court, written by Chief Judge William Bartett, held that the second trial was fair

Judge Malone Dissented. Judge Malone dissented. He no written opinion. J resided at the second trial and now s a member of the court of appeals, did not sit on the case.

Among the striking conclusions of the oninion were these

Gunmen Hired Murderers. There was nothing to Indicate that te gunmen were actuated by any personal hostility toward Rosenthal. They were simply murderers for hire for "Bridgey" Webber, "Baid Jack" Rose and Harry Vallon. Upon the truth or falsity of their testimony to this effect depends the guilt or innocence of

That the testimony of various witnesses regarding the "Heriem confer-ence" at which Becker, Jack Rose and others are said to have planned the death of Rosenthal, was corroborated and, therefore, must be assumed to be

"Dago" Frank's Testimony Properly Excluded.

That Justice Seabury properly ex-cluded from the consideration of the lury in the second trial a statement given by "Dago" Frank Cirofici, one

ning Rosenthal's death.

Conference to Be Held Today, that American packers are about to succeed in moving the British government to action toward settling claims for detained cargoes of meat products consigned to neutral countries became apparent here late to-day after conferences between rep-resentatives of the packers and state department officials and Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, British ambassador. After asking the state department to take up the subject of expediting

take up the subject of expediting case pending for months in British prize courts, the packers withdraw their request pending further conferences tomorrow with Ambassador Spring-Rice and Sir Richard Crawford, commercial representative of the embassy.

packers tonight. "We have had a conference with the British ambassador and hope to clear the atmosphere surrounding these matters in the near future. Pending further negotiations, however, we wish to withhold any general statement."

WEST VIRGINIA MILITIA

by followed by the passage of appro-priation measures restoring the na-tional guard and caring for a num-ber of other important items.

Among the principal bills passed at the special session was one further amending the prohibition code to prohibit the importation of alcohol

Monroe Doctrine

PROPOSED BY DR. SANTIAGO PE REZ TRIANA OF COLOMBIA.

IN A DRAMATIC SPEECH

Would Make It Impossible in the Fu ture for One American Nation to Covet or Invade a Neighabor's Territory-Suggestion Applauded.

Washington, May 25 .- The story of how vast resources of the United States may be used to aid the repub-lics of South and Central America is clearing away difficulties that the European war has brought upon the western hemisphere was told in part today to business men and banker who represent this nation of the Pan-American financial conference.

needs, and indicated in what ways Executive elemency for Becker is regarded as remote. As district attorney of New York county, the present governor prosecuted the former lieutenant both times, personally conducting the examination of witnesses at the second trial. Tonight he declined to discuss the case in any way. ment which must bring in the future a closer union of political and commercial interests.

secker and the four gunmen who shot sible in the future for one American nation to covet a foot of a neighbor's territory or invade her sacred soil. It was a speech such as had not bee neard before at the conference, demerce and trade and the delegates creeted it with long continued ap-

INVESTIGATION OF COLORADO COAL STRIKE IS CLOSED. Mr. King Had Further Clashes With Chairman Walsh.

Washington, May 26.-Investigation of the Colorado coal strike was closed coday by the industrial relations com mittee and tomorrow, after hearing statements about labor conditions in Porto Rico and examining a few wit-nesses as miscellaneous matters, the commission will conclude its general arings and inquiries which been in progress for more than a year. At a meeting to be held in hicago about June 1st the worl framing a report to congress will b

Th last witnesses in the Colorad nvestigation were W. L. Mackenzie ling, of the Rockefeller Foundation and Ivy L. Lee, of the personal star of John D. Rockefeller, Jr. Mr. King, who began his testimony yesterday, had further clashes with Chairman Walsh, over the latter's method of conducting the examination

GRANITE CUTTERS AT BARRE REFUSE TO WORK Half of Them Dissatisfied with Wage Agreement Signed.

Barre, Vt., May 25.—Because of the continued refusal of nearly half of the granite cuters to return to work with the Canadian contingent in the under a ware agreement of the continued refusal of nearly half of the granite cuters to return to work with the Canadian contingent in the nder a wage agreement signed by trenches in Belgium, jury in the second trial a statement given by "Dago" Frank Cirofici, one of the four gunmen executed for the murder, shortly before his death. Cirofici declared that insofar as he knew Becker had nothing to do with planning Rosenthal's death.

The shortly acted and some them to patrol the quarries and store sheds.

The shortly acted and some them to patrol the quarries and store sheds. representatives of the labor unions and

The sheriff acted under orders from Governor Gates who has kept in close touch with the situation in this city, The governor stated today that if the deputies were not able to keep the process he would order out the process. Governor Gates who has kept in close peace he would order out the national

Up to noon there had been no dis-

PARTY LINES UNBROKEN ON Visit to Honolul Failed to Change

Opinions of Members of Congress. San Francisco, May 25.—Party lines, the congressional party arriving today said, should remain unbroken on the question of free sugar. Most of the question of free sugar. Most of the contingent said they favored additional fortifications on the islands.

Twenty-nine members of the congressional party of 140 persons which left several weeks ago for a tour of the islands, returned today.

York during the past week. This is a decrease of exactly 100 deaths from the figures for the same week of 1914.

News of the death in France of Second Lieutenant Harry G. Byng, a student of engineering at Harvard three years ago, was received at Bos-

Empty Motor Boat, Three Men Missing "We expect to make a statement of the situation tomorrow," said Alfred R. Urion, general counsel for the packers tonight. "We have had a conference with the British ambassa-conference with the British ambassa-turday night for Castine, has aroused the strong the st grave anxiety among relatives that they have been drowned. The men are: Harry N. Freeman, Clarence E. Wiley and William Crowley. A searching party is now out for them.

Deep River, Conn., May 25.—The body of John Mosley of Chester, one of three men drowned in the Connecticut river last November, we are the second of the connecticut of the connecticut river last November, we are the second of the connecticut river last November, we are the second of the connecticut river last November, we are the second of the connecticut river last November, we are the second of the connecticut river last November, we are the second of the connecticut river last November, we are the second of the connecticut river last November, we are the second of the connecticut river last November, we are the second of the connecticut river last November, we are the second of the connecticut river last November where the second of the connecticut river last November where the second of the connecticut river last november where the second of the connecticut river last november where the second of the connecticut river last november where the second of the second river last november where the second river last november last november where the second river last nove of three men drowned in the Connecticut river last November, was recovered from the river today a short distance below this town. The other men were John Stone and John Peleski of the West Virginia legislature held this year adjourned today with its fiscal programme carried out Enactment of the omnibus revenue-bill was quickly followed by the passage of appropriation measures

Condensed Telegrams

New Jersey day was observed at th Govenor Daivid I. Walsh of Massa

Guy W. Ommert died of a fractured skull received in a ball game at Harrisburg, Pa.

Federal Judge Tuttle in Detroit or-dered the Pere Marquette railroad sold auction on October 1.

Charles F. Southmayo who died in Stockbridge, Mass., on July 1, 1911, left an estate of \$3,090,320,

Several hundred young Italians antiago are preparing to sail ome to enlist in the army,

A thousand Italians, eager for war, registered at the Italian consulate in New York by 11 o'clock Monday morn-Vienna newspapers claim a brillian uccess in the results of the sub-

criptions to the latest Austrian wa Governor Whitman and his party

are scheduled to leave Albany today for a trip to the Panama-Pacific ex-Enrico Caruso notified the Italian Red Cross that his villa near Flor-ence is at its disposal until the end of

With three survivors and nine bodies from the Lusitania, the American liner New York arrived at New York fro

Illamna, a volcano, and an unknown peak on the west coast of Cook Inlet, Alaska, have been in eruption since

The three Italian commissioners at he Panama-Pacific exposition an-counced they would leave for Rome next Saturday

everal women were overcome by moke when fire destroyed the Raleigh Daniel Denchey was killed, and 17 other persons were injured in a col-dision of cars on a roller coaster at

foungstown, Ohio. Joseph Lang, one of the last of the ld-time negro minstrels, died at his nome in Chicago, after an illness of ore than three years,

Residents of Hat Creek Valley, Cal. cruptions of Mt. Lassen, which A dispatch from Florence states that

he headquarters of the Red Cross so ciety there will become the residence of the Italian court during the wa Charged with having committed murder at Cherry Valley, Ill., Hen Florentini was committed in Londo awaiting extradition to the United

Five persons were killed when the blew up on the Pennsylvania side of

town, N. J.

Observation and photographs re-cently made of the Mellish comet at the Lowell observatory at Flagstaff, Ariz, indicate that the comet

Political meetings in Tokio de-nounced the cabinet for failure of its negotiations with China. It was urged

John D. Rockefeller has contributed \$100,000 towards paying off the debts of the Baptist missionary societies, it ounced at the convention

stellation to Newport as a permanent fixture and exhibit at the naval train-ing station was celebrated yesterday by

The Lexington, Mass., pageant, commemorating 100 years of peace be-tween Great Britain and the United States, will be opened on June 21 on

signal from President Wilson. Kenneth Weeks a young American from Cambridge, Mass., was commend-ed in British army orders for dis-tinguished conduct at the taking of La

Targette and Neuville St. Vaast. There were 1,492 deaths and a death rate of 13.41 per thousand in New York during the past week. This is a decrease of exactly 100 deaths from

ton by his father-in-law, Allen Curtis

Miss Olive Starr of Woodfield, Ohio was shot and killed in the home of Ernest Zogg, at Wellsburg, W. Va. where she was visiting, by Thomas A rejected suitor shot and fatally injured Angelina Posno at her home in Chartiers, Pa., and shot her mother, Mrs. Camelia Posno, as she tried to

last year's expenditures by the war department in holding student military camps, the department virtually abandoned plans to hold camps this year,

Willard Murch, one of the founders of the Gideon society of Michigan, and the Michigan traveler from Lambert & Lowman, Detroit chemists, since the organization of the firm, died of pneu-

BRITISH COALITION CABINET NAMED

Herbert H. Asquith Retains Premiership and Sir Edward Grey Foreign Affairs Portfolio

LORD KITCHENER REMAINS SECRETARY OF WAR

New Cabinet Includes Twelve Liberals, Eight Conservatives and One Laborite-The Irish Party is Not Represented, Although John Redmond Was Offered a Seat-David Lloyd George Transferred to the Ministry of Munitions -Arthur J. Balfour Now Heads Admiralty Department -New Cabinet Has Received Approval of King George.

four. Winston Spencer Churchill, for-mer head of the admiralty, is given the Irish soil." ortfolio of chancellor of the Duchy of

Herbert H. Asquith retains the premiership, and Sir Edward Grey the of thoron ministry of foreign affairs. David Lloyd George, chancellor of the exchequer in the old cabinet, will be minister of munitions in the new one.

Composition of Cabinet. The new cabinet includes twelve liberals, eight conservatives and one la-borite. Earl Kitchener took office in the first instance of a non-partisan. The Irish party is not represented, although John Redmond was invited to

Two men were burned to death and Members of New Cabinet. The constitution of the new cabin Prime minister and first lord of the

accept a seat.

reasury, Mr. Asquith.
Minister without portfolio, Lord Lord high chancellor, Sir Stanley O. Lord privy seal, Lord Curzon of

hald McKenna Secretary of state for home effairs, Sir John A. Simon. Secretary of state for foreign af-fairs, Sir Edward Grey. Secretary for the colonies, Andrew onar Law

Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancas-er, Winston Spencer Churchill.

Chief secretary for Ireland, August-ne Birrell. Secretary for Scotland, Thomas Mc Kinnon Wood.

President of the board of agriculture,
Lord Selborne.

First commissioner of works, Lewis Practically No Crops Will be Raised President of the board of education, Arthur Henderson. Attorney general, Sir Edward Car-

The official announcement on new cabinet says: Place Offered to Redmond.

to Mr. John Redmond, the Irish na-tionalist leader, but he did not see his way to accept it.
"The prime minister has decided that a new department shall be crethat a new department shall be created, to be called the ministry of munitions, charged with organizing the supply of munitions of war. Mr. Lloyd George has undertaken the formation and temporary direction of this department, and during his tenure of office as minister of munitions will va-

cate the office of chancellor of the ex-"It is understood that Mr. Henderso will assist the government in matters relating to labor questions, especially those arising out of the war. "The king has been pleased to con-fer upon Viscount Haldane of Gloan (the retiring lord high chancellor) the Order of Merit."

IRISH PARTY APRROVES REDMOND'S DECLINATION But Pledges Hearty Co-operation With Newly Formed Cabinet.

Dublin, May 25, 11.27 p. m.—The mously adopted a resolution approving John Redmond's action in declining a seat in the new cabinet. The party issued a statement declaring that "the events of last week have created a sit-uation demanding the serious and careful consideration of the Irish peo-

Reciting Premier Asquith's assur-ance that the coalition would not involve the surrender by any person of his political purposes or ideals, the statement continues:

"We accept that declaration, and so long as the pledge is honorably and strictly observed we shall be ready to give to the new government, in carry-ing on the war, the same hearty co-opertaion as has been given by the party to the last government

Principles Dear to Irishmen.

"This war, as the world has repeat-edly been assured by British states-men, is being waged for the strict and honorable maintenance of treaties and for the right of small nations to free-dom and the unhampered development of their national life. These principles are very dear to Irishmen and of in-calculable value to the future of the Irish race. But, while we feel confi-dent that these principles will be re-membered and acted upon in any future transactions between the British and Irish nations, and while we ac-cept this pledge of the prime minister,

London, May 25, 9.15 p. m.—Lord Ritchener retains the post of secretary of war in the new coalition cabinet which has received the approval of King George. The new first lord of the admiralty will be Arthur J. Bal-

The statement says that the great lesson of th eevents of the past week for the Irish people is the necessity of thorough organization and appeals to the local leaders to reorganize the Irish league in every parish where it is

CARANZA OPPONENTS

CLOSING IN ON VERA CRUZ Preparations Made for Removal of Carranza to an Island in the Harbor.

Galveston, Texas, March 25 .- The

playing of searchlights about Vera Cruz, Mexico, every night and the in-creased garrisons in the outer fortiications have given rise to fears that Jeneral Varranza's headqurters may be attcked, according to word receivwhere without portfolio, Lord where today from Vera Cruz.

Bands of revolutionists opposed to Carranza have been drawing closer and in shooting at and looting trains in and out of Vera Cruz, have been growing daily bolder. Meantime preparations have been made for a possible move of General Carranza to a haven of safety on the island of San Jun di Ului in the harbor of Vera Cruz. For months he has occupied quarters

in the lighthouse on the mainland 300

ards from a Mexican transport. He seldom has ventured from the light-It is said that at San Juan de Ului Secretary for India, J. Austen Chamberlain.
Secretary of state for war, Lord litchener.
Minister of munitions, David Lloyd leorge.

It is said that at San Juan de Chinelaborate offices and living rooms were being prepared and it was stated by the attendants that it was soon to be occupied by Carranza. Until the American occupation of Vera Cruz last year the island, built by the Spaniards, was used as a prison and its dungeons. leorge.
First lord of the admiralty, Arthur was used as a prison and its dungeons Balfour.

President of the board of trade,
Valter Runciman.

Arthur some of which are beneath the water lin, have housed goods of prisoners.
The part of the prison now undergoing Workmen said General Carranza had directed the cleaning up of the place. The island is about ten minutes boat ride from the nearest

DISTRESSING CONDITIONS IN

This Year and People Beg for Food. Galveston, Texas., May 25.—Stories of distressing conditions in the interior of Mexico are brought to Vera Cruz. At Jalapa crowds of women recently filled the plaza and after beg-ging that the revolution be stopped. "A place in the cabinet was offered Mr. John Redmond, the Irish nanisist leader, but he did not see his ay to accept it.
"The prime minister has decided at a new department shall be created at a new department shall be created but instead donated 2,000 pesos. He refused but instead donated 2,000 pesos.

The prime minister has decided a forced loan of 15,000 pesos. He refused but instead donated 2,000 pesos.

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HEARING ON FRAUDULENT CANAL TOBACCO CONTRACTS Former Manager of Commissary Department of Panama Railroad Tes-

New York, May 25.—John Burke, former manager of the commissary de-partment of the Panama railroad indicted for conspiracy to defraud the government in accepting commissions in connection with tobacco contracts, appeared as a government witness to-day at the trial of Jacob Salas, a to-bacco merchant, one of the alleged participants in the conspiracy. Having waived immunity, Burke testified that he entered into an agree-ment with Salas and Recent Proment with Salas and Recardo Bermu-dez, former governor of Colon, also under indictment, under which he was to purchase tobacco from them for the commissary department and receive an interest in the profits made therefrom. Burke identified eleven drafts, totalling nearly \$21,000, which he said he received in received to the rece ceived in payment on account of his interest in the tobacco sales.

Burke was preceded on the stand by Major General George W. Goethals, governor of the canal zone, who testified chiefly as to the status of the relations of the Panama railroad to the United States

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Capture of \$1,350 Diamond Thief. Hartford, Conn., May 25 .- The police Congressional Party Home from Honolulu.

San Francisco, May 25.—Congressman Joseph G. Cannon of Minois and twelve colleagues arrived here today from Honolulu. Mr. Cannon said he had not read the government's note to Germany about the Lusitania. "But."

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